(C313) Additional Policies, Requirements & Information Regarding Campus Living

Firearms Policy

The possession, carrying and use of firearms (including pistols, rifles, shotguns, BB guns, pellet guns, ammunition and any federal or state prohibited offensive weapons) are prohibited in student residence halls and student apartment/houses. This prohibition applies to all students, families of students and guests of students.

Meningococcal Vaccine Requirement

College and University Student Vaccination Act applies to all full-time student residents. A letter of information and Certification/Exception Form will be enclosed with your lease when you are notified of your housing assignment.

Refectory Lunch Meal Plan

The policy of requiring dormitory/dormitory suite residents to participate in the refectory lunch meal plan enables the refectory to continue its service to the seminary community. Without this policy the campus food service, community meals, etc. would not be possible.

Lease Move Fee

A $100 fee will be charged if a move/change of campus housing is initiated by the student.

Washington DC – Resident Scholar Program

The Resident Scholar Program is available to all full-time degree-seeking students of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg who desire to live in the Washington, D.C. area for one or two semesters and take the majority of their courses at schools in the Washington Theological Consortium. Refer to the Student Handbook for program details.

Residential Lounge/Common Areas

A lounge is available on the third floor of Baughman Hall and the first floor of Heiges Hall for the community. Although used occasionally for Seminary functions, this is a nice benefit which people have enjoyed as part of the community. Pets are not permitted in the Baughman Hall common room. *Students and family members are responsible for keeping the lounge areas clean and uncluttered.*

Reassignment Process

After the housing assignment process is held and leases are sent out, sometimes students fail to return the leases and a security deposit by the due date. This results in a reassignment of these units to others who may be on a waiting list or would like a reassignment. This reassignment is usually done on a periodic basis. We will keep in touch with students on a waiting list as housing becomes available.

Lead Paint Disclosure

Housing built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips, and dust can pose health hazards especially to young children and pregnant women. Before leasing pre-1978 owned housing, the Seminary must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling. (Lessees) students can request printed information with their lease or download a federally approved pamphlet *What You Can do to Protect Your Family From Lead* along with additional information at the government website http//www.epa.gov/lead/. These disclosures do not apply to dormitory housing (Aberly or Baughman) nor to efficiency apartments (Baughman).

The Seminary has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead based paint hazards in any of its student housing buildings. The Seminary suspects that the older the housing unit, the higher the likelihood is that it may contain lead-based paint. In particular, Richard House (built

1895), and North Hall (acquired in 1987 but built earlier) may have the highest likelihood of containing lead-based paint.

Statement of Stewardship

The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg is blessed by having many housing units available for students. In most cases, this housing was made possible through gifts and grants of supporting synods, individuals, congregations and other organizations.

Students and their families interact daily in a variety of ways in classrooms, at chapel, during meal times and at community gatherings. The community also interacts informally on campus in areas such as lounges, laundry rooms, hallways, parking lots and recreation areas on campus. Students and their families are asked to be courteous to others by limiting disturbances from loud noises, pets and other factors. A quiet time from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am should be observed each night.

Apartment and dormitory housing is considered an auxiliary enterprise of the Seminary which is intended to break even financially with other auxiliary enterprises including capital replacements of facilities over the long term. All residents of student housing are asked to practice good stewardship and help the Seminary care for the buildings and resources that have been entrusted to us. Common courtesies such as turning off unneeded lights, heat/air-conditioning, (no heating units are to be turned off between October and April to prevent freezing of the units), conserving water, and limiting, as much as possible, the wear-and-tear on housing units will help keep the housing fees at a low level now and in the future.

A family pet is permitted in designated apartments/townhouses only. Because Seminary is a time of transition and community, students are discouraged from acquiring pets while they are in Seminary. Pets require attention, veterinary care and financial reserves. All pet owners are expected to take full responsibility for the needs of their pets and respect their neighbors and Seminary property. Pet charges are assessed as follows: $200 fee per pet each year and $250 deposit for each dog and/or cat (which may be transferred from year to year). A $100 per cage security deposit is required for terraria or aquaria. **Pet owners must submit a new application each year they are in campus housing.** Failure to comply with the pet registration and policy or discovery of unauthorized, unregistered pets will result in a $100 fine, plus charges for the yearly fees of $200 per pet, possible removal of the pet and possible termination of lease. See the Pet Policy for details.

Hay Street Townhouse residents must pay for all utilities except cable TV and trash. Water/sewer usage is billed to the Seminary for each apartment and Financial Services will bill that student's account quarterly. Arrangements for electric and natural gas must be made directly with the utility companies prior to occupancy.

Metropolitan Edison (electric) 1-800-545-7741 Columbia Gas 1-888-460-4332

Contacts for Local Realtors

Century 21 Neighborhood Realty	717 334-5430	Miller Real Estate	717 337-9950
Coldwell Banker, Bob Yost	717 334-7666	Jack Gaughen Realtor ERA	717 334-6283

Contacts for Utility Companies/Mini-Storage

All residences:	Telephone	Contact EMBARQ	1-800-829-8009
	Storage	Rt. 30 West Self Storage	717-334-7982
		Sandoe's Mini-Storage	717-334-9581

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